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VIA ECF

Hon. Paul A. Engelmayer United States District Judge Southern District of New York 40 Foley Square New York, New York 10007

RE: United States v. Bernard Adjei, 17 Cr. 631 (PAE)

Dear Judge Engelmayer:

I represent the defendant, Bernard Adjei, in the abovementioned case having been duly appointed pursuant to the Criminal Justice Act. Mr. Adjei is currently housed at the Metropolitan Correctional Center (MCC) and is presently scheduled to be sentenced on August 22, 2018 at 10:30 a.m. Mr. Adjei recently signed up to receive his High School Equivalency Diploma and anticipates that he will complete his studying and receive his diploma prior to sentencing. Mr. Adjei respectfully requests that a hold be placed on him at the MCC to ensure that he can work on getting his diploma, as a move to the Metropolitan Detention Center in Brooklyn may prevent this.

Thank you for your kind and courteous attention.

Very truly yours,

/s/ *Irving Cohen* IRVING COHEN